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SUBJECT: D.D. Ivan KRINIOCH, Professor of Theology

ALIASES: Dr. KOVALENKO, Dr. DUBROVA (1941-1943)
Dr. ORLOV (1944-1945)

RESIDENCE: Munich

DATE OF BIRTH: 28 December 1907

PLACE OF BIRTH: Pavliv (Western Ukraine)

PARENTS: Ukrainian farmers

EDUCATION: Completed high school in 1926
Studied at the Universities of: Lemberg (Lvov), Innsbruck, Munich,
Paris

SUBJECTS: Philosophy and Theology. Ordained as priest in the Greek Catholic Church in 1934. Graduated for BD in 1934 with summa cum laude.

PERSONAL DATA: Height: 169 cm.
Weight: 60 kg.
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black
Build: Vigorous

1934-1935 Priest in Halitch (Western Ukraine)
1935-1939 Lecturer in Philosophy at the Academy of Theology in Lemberg (Lvov). At this time, he was particularly active as a spirited leader of the students in Ukrainian student organizations. Head priest of the Ukrainian youth organization.

1939-1941 In exile at Krakow, working as clerk at the "District Hospital." Up until 1939, did not belong to any political party. Was attracted by the Polish State Police as a national priest. Dr. Krinioch was a particular favorite of the Archbishop of the Greek Catholic Church, the Western Ukrainian Count SHESTIVSKI, who was killed by the Soviets in 1941.

1939-1941 Head of the Students' Aid in exile in Krakow.
1941 Collaboration with the Ukrainian party OUN.
1941 Completed in working out a constructive political program for the Ukrainian wing of the OUN, with the set purpose of founding an above-party Ukrainian Freedom organization.

1941- On the proclaiming of a free Ukrainian government opposed to the wishes of the German occupation powers, Dr. Krinioch broadcast by radio the pastoral letter of the Archbishop together with calculations to the illegal government. He also greeted it in the name of the commander of the Ukrainian Army of Liberation. Thereupon he signed the arrest was issued by the Germans, but which was withdrawn at the intervention of positive-minded circles among the Germans. However, he was forbidden to enter his native country.

In 1942, in defiance of this prohibition, Dr. Krinioch went to the Western Ukraine. On 1 November 1942, he published an illegal newspaper for the Ukrainian underground opposed to the German.

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occupation powers ("Idea and Action" - in Ukrainian "Idea i chyn"). In his article "The German Policy in the Ukraine," he declared that the Germans pursued the enslavement of the entire Ukraine.

In May 1943, he published a brochure consisting of 40 pages under the pseudonym "Dr. Korolentz" and having the title "Line and Methods of the German Policy in Oppressed Europe" - A European Survey. With this he became one of the first to propose by brochure an organized resistance against the German occupation powers over the whole of Europe.

In 1943, Dr. Briniesh was elected Chief of the Section for Foreign Affairs and Political Inspector of the UPA (Ukrainian Army of Liberation - "Voinsechenn"). He visited the resistance organizations in Hungary, Romania and Poland, and participated in secret congresses, etc. His aim was for the coordination of the dispersed groups of resistance among the different nations and political groups.

In 1944, he came into contact with the Belians and Iwely by courier. In March and April 1944, the UPA was fighting against them as well as red imperialism. Dr. Briniesh entered into negotiations with the German Intelligence, since the German troops were quitting the Ukraine. It was agreed together with fixed conditions, that when the Germans quit the country, the UPA would be left weapons and material for the fight against the Soviets.

In 1944, Dr. Briniesh was elected Vice-President of the UPR and chief of the foreign representative body for the UPR abroad.

On 21 September 1944, he left the UPA and went to Bratislava, Vienna, and Bratislava, where he supervised the execution of the agreements with the Germans. In April 1945, he went to Hungary to visit the Hungarian Ministry, which was under the command of Germans, in order to give them orders regarding the procedure to be followed after the war.

In May/June 1945, he went to Prague and thence fought and was able to save some important leaders from the hands of the Soviets.

In June 1945, he went to Bratislava and united the UPR with all sub-organizations.

CHARACTERISTICS:

Completely unscrupulous. Honest, congenial, particularly strongly national, unscrupulous abilities. Intellectual. Deeply religious but not strictly dogmatic. Prudent, intelligent, active. Special remarks: Completely hostile towards constructive organizations.

Dr. Briniesh is a partner to whom one must introduce at each meeting only a first-class partner in every respect, in order that he should be able to rely on the solidarity and the honesty of the individual during their talks.

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